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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 15258-618  
Client Ref. No. P.7298

In re application of:

RAJIV J. DAMANI, ET AL.

Application No. 10/705,642

Filed: November 10, 2003

For: SPRAY POWDER FOR THE  
MANUFACTURE OF A THERMALLY  
INSULATING LAYER WHICH  
REMAINS RESISTANT AT HIGH  
TEMPERATURES

Customer No. 20350

Confirmation No. 4764

Examiner: Leszek B. Kiliman

AMENDMENT AFTER  
NOTICE OF APPEAL  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.116(b)(1) and (2)  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -  
EXAMINING GROUP 1773

San Francisco, CA 94111  
April 25, 2006

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Sir:

As a precautionary measure, applicants request an extension of time, if needed and if not separately attached hereto, and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor to our deposit account in accordance with our standing authorization for such charges.

Following the filing of a Notice of Appeal on or about April 11, 2006, and in response to the Final Rejection dated October 7, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks in order to place this application in better condition for appeal:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.